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RE: MUR 5646  
John Buchalski

Dear Mr. McEachern:

On March 30, 2005, your client, John Buchalski, was notified that the Federal Election Commission found reason to believe that he violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 434(b) and 432(c), in his personal capacity, for failing to ensure the accuracy and completeness of FEC disclosure reports filed by Cohen for New Hampshire ("the Committee") and for failing to ensure that complete records of the Committee's disbursements were maintained. Mr. Buchalski was designated as treasurer of the Committee in its Statement of Organization and signed two of the Committee's 2003 disclosure reports, and amendments thereto. On March 23, 2005 you submitted a response to the Commission's reason to believe findings on his behalf. After considering the circumstances of the matter, and as a matter of prosecutorial discretion, the Commission determined on December 10, 2007, to take no further action as to Mr. Buchalski, in his personal capacity, and closed the file as it pertains to him.

The Commission nevertheless voted to admonish Mr. Buchalski with respect to the violations of 2 U.S.C. §§ 434(b) and 432(c). As the designated treasurer of the Committee, Mr. Buchalski was responsible for ensuring the accuracy of the Committee's disclosure reports and the maintenance of its disbursement records but he failed to do so. Mr. Buchalski should take steps to ensure that this activity does not occur in the future should he again decide to serve as treasurer of a federal political committee.

Please be advised that the confidentiality provisions of 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(12)(A) remain in effect, and that this matter is still open with respect to other respondents. The Commission will notify you when the entire file has been closed.

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If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dawn M. Odrowski". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Dawn" being the most prominent.

Dawn M. Odrowski  
Attorney

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